

SEC. 3. That this act be in force from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times, and ratified this the 9th day of March, A. D. 1885.

CHAPTER 291.

An act to establish a State flag.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :

SECTION 1. That the flag of North Carolina shall consist of a blue union, containing in the centre thereof a white star with the letter N. in gilt on the left and the letter C. in gilt on the right of said star, the circle containing the same to be one-third the width of said union. Description of flag of North Carolina.

SEC. 2. That the fly of the flag shall consist of two equally proportioned bars; the upper bar to be red, the lower bar to be white; that the length of the bars horizontally shall be equal to the perpendicular length of the union, and the total length of the flag shall be one-third more than its width. Fly of the flag. Length of flag.

SEC. 3. That above the star in the centre of the union there shall be a gilt scroll in semi-circular form, containing in black letters this inscription: "May 20th, 1775," and that below the star there shall be a similar scroll containing in black letters the inscription: "April 12th, 1776." Inscriptions on flag.

SEC. 4. That this act shall take effect from and after its ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times, and ratified this the 9th day of March, A. D. 1885.